# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

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MDL 2804 Case No. 17-md-2804 Hon. Dan Aaron Polster

# DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO EXCLUDE CERTAIN OPINIONS AND TESTIMONY OF <u>DR. KATHERINE KEYES</u>

Pursuant to Rules 402, 403, and 702 of the Federal Rules of Evidence and *Daubert v*.

Merrell Dow Pharm., Inc., 509 U.S. 579 (1993), Defendants<sup>1</sup> move to exclude certain opinions and testimony of Dr. Katherine Keyes: (1) her marketing opinions and testimony as to Defendants; (2) her opinions and testimony that prescription opioids are "responsible" for harms from illicit synthetic opioids; and (3) her misleading, confusing, and unfairly prejudicial testimony regarding causation (e.g., overdoses from illicit synthetic opioids are "attributable" to prescription opioids). For the reasons stated in the accompanying Memorandum in Support, this Court should exclude these opinions and related testimony. In addition to the Memorandum in Support, Defendants submit a Proposed Order, and a Declaration with accompanying exhibits with this Motion.

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